

Questions and Tables

The questions covered in the release of June 7, 2012 are listed below. Column percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding. Respondents are New Jersey Adults unless otherwise noted.

Q. Next I have some questions on a few other issues in New Jersey and nationwide. First, as you may know, Dharun Ravi is a former Rutgers student who was convicted of bias intimidation and invasion of privacy after spying on his gay roommate who later killed himself. How much have you heard about this story? Is it a lot, a little, or nothing at all?

A lot	78%
A little	19%
Nothing at all	3%
Unwght N=	1,187

	Party ID				Ideology		Education			
	Dem	Ind	Rep	Lib	Mod	Cons	HS or less	Some Coll	Coll Grad	Grad Work
A lot	83%	75%	75%	91%	74%	77%	72%	77%	82%	82%
A little	15%	22%	19%	8%	22%	19%	22%	20%	16%	15%
Nothing at all	2%	3%	6%	1%	4%	4%	6%	3%	2%	3%
Unwght N=	405	519	251	238	635	284	320	303	298	252

	Employment				Age			
	FT	PT	Retired	Not Empl	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
A lot	79%	72%	86%	71%	72%	73%	86%	84%
A little	19%	24%	13%	22%	18%	25%	13%	15%
Nothing at all	2%	3%	1%	7%	10%	2%	1%	1%
Unwght N=	545	111	342	147	137	307	392	338

	Income				Gender		Race		
	< 50K	50K-100K	100K-150K	150K+	Male	Female	White	Black	Hisp
A lot	67%	83%	82%	85%	74%	82%	82%	80%	69%
A little	28%	16%	17%	9%	21%	17%	16%	17%	25%
Nothing at all	4%	1%	0%	5%	5%	2%	2%	3%	6%
Unwght N=	283	322	210	148	559	628	877	129	81

	Religion				Frequency of Worship Attendance					
	Cath	Prot	Jewish	Other	Born Again	At least once/wk	Almost every wk	Abt once/mo	Seldom	Never
A lot	79%	79%	90%	72%	72%	79%	82%	79%	75%	78%
A little	17%	17%	10%	27%	22%	17%	15%	17%	22%	18%
Nothing at all	79%	79%	90%	72%	72%	4%	3%	4%	3%	3%
Unwght N=	485	382	82	167	198	340	105	197	327	181

	Born in U.S.		Parent Born Outside U.S.		Region				
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Urban	Suburb	Exurban	Phil/South	Shore
A lot	80%	67%	74%	80%	78%	82%	78%	73%	76%
A little	17%	30%	23%	17%	18%	15%	19%	23%	22%
Nothing at all	3%	3%	3%	3%	4%	3%	3%	4%	2%
Unwght N=	1044	132	339	831	218	391	134	244	200

Q. Ravi was recently sentenced to 30 days in jail, three years probation, and community service. In your opinion, was the sentence given to Ravi too tough, not tough enough, or did Ravi get the sentence he deserves?

		Heard About?	
		A lot	A little
Too Tough	7%	7%	5%
Not tough enough	51%	52%	45%
Punishment he Deserves	39%	38%	41%
DK	4%	3%	9%
Unwght N=	1,142	950	192

	Party ID			Ideology			Education			
	Dem	Ind	Rep	Lib	Mod	Cons	HS or less	Some Coll	Coll Grad	Grad Work
Too Tough	6%	7%	6%	3%	8%	8%	9%	6%	4%	8%
Not tough enough	52%	50%	52%	52%	50%	53%	56%	56%	48%	44%
Deserves	39%	38%	38%	43%	38%	36%	30%	35%	44%	45%
DK	3%	4%	4%	3%	4%	4%	5%	3%	5%	3%
Unwght N=	392	499	240	234	608	276	301	293	292	245

	Employment				Age			
	FT	PT	Retired	Not Empl	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Too Tough	8%	5%	5%	4%	5%	6%	7%	8%
Not tough enough	48%	50%	58%	48%	57%	47%	54%	51%
Deserves	39%	43%	34%	44%	37%	42%	35%	37%
DK	5%	2%	3%	3%	2%	5%	4%	4%
Unwght N=	529	106	333	139	120	296	384	332

	Income				Gender		Race		
	< 50K	50K- <100K	100K- <150K	150K+	Male	Female	White	Black	Hisp
Too Tough	6%	8%	6%	6%	10%	3%	6%	10%	4%
Not tough enough	56%	54%	41%	45%	49%	52%	51%	47%	62%
Deserves	34%	36%	47%	45%	36%	41%	39%	41%	30%
DK	4%	2%	6%	4%	4%	4%	4%	2%	4%
Unwght N=	271	318	208	143	528	614	853	124	77

	Religion				Frequency of Worship Attendance					
	Cath	Prot	Jewish	Other	Born Again	At least once/wk	Almost every wk	About once/mo	Seldom	Never
Too Tough	5%	6%	5%	10%	7%	7%	10%	5%	6%	6%
Not tough enough	55%	53%	45%	39%	59%	53%	56%	53%	48%	47%
Deserves	36%	36%	49%	47%	30%	36%	28%	39%	41%	43%
DK	3%	5%	1%	4%	3%	4%	5%	2%	4%	4%
Unwght N=	464	370	82	162	187	326	102	187	320	175

	Born in U.S.		Parents Born Outside U.S.		Urban	Suburb	Region		
	Yes	No	Yes	No			Exurban	Phil/South	Shore
Too Tough	5%	12%	9%	5%	7%	6%	7%	7%	6%
Not tough enough	53%	40%	43%	55%	47%	50%	47%	56%	56%
Deserves	38%	43%	44%	36%	41%	41%	39%	33%	36%
DK	4%	5%	4%	4%	5%	3%	7%	4%	2%
Unwght N=	1008	127	328	803	206	378	128	235	195

Rutgers-Eagleton Poll May 31 – June 4, 2012

The Rutgers-Eagleton Poll was conducted by telephone from May 31 – June 4, 2012 with a scientifically selected random sample of 1191 New Jersey adults, including a subsample of 1065 registered voters. Data are weighted to represent known parameters in the New Jersey population, using gender, age, race, and Hispanic ethnicity matching to 2010 US Census Bureau data. All results are reported with these weighted data. This telephone poll included 1040 landline respondents and 151 cell phone respondents, all acquired through random digit dialing.

All surveys are subject to sampling error, which is the expected probable difference between interviewing everyone in a population versus a scientific sampling drawn from that population. The sampling error for 1191 adults is +/-2.8 percentage points, at a 95 percent confidence interval. Thus if 50 percent of New Jersey voters favored a particular position, one would be 95 percent sure that the true figure would be between 47.2 and 52.8 percent (50 +/-2.8) had all New Jersey adults been interviewed, rather than just a sample. Sampling error increases as the sample size decreases, so statements based on various population subgroups are subject to more error than are statements based on the total sample. Sampling error does not take into account other sources of variation inherent in public opinion studies, such as non-response, question wording or context effects.

This Rutgers-Eagleton Poll was fielded by Braun Research Incorporated. The questionnaire was developed and all data analyses were completed in house. The Rutgers-Eagleton Poll is paid for and sponsored by the Eagleton Institute of Politics, Rutgers University, a non-partisan academic center focused on the study and teaching of politics and the political process.

Weighted Sample Characteristics 1,191 New Jersey Adults

37% Democrat	48% Male	18% 18-29	66% White
43% Independent	52% Female	39% 30-49	13% Black
20% Republican		26% 50-64	13% Hispanic
		16% 65+	8% Asian/Other/Multi